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SUBJECT: ROKG REMAINS SUPPORTIVE OF USG POLICY ON CLUSTER  
MUNITIONS

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Classified By: POL M/C Joseph Y. Yun, Reasons 1.4 (b,d).

[1](#)1. (C) On December 17, poloff delivered reftel A demarche to Park Jee-won of the Disarmament and Nonproliferation Division of the ROK Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MOFAT). Park confirmed that the ROKG considers cluster munitions to be of significant continued military utility and is concerned that the proposed Oslo Process text could negatively impact future military operations between States that become Parties to it and those that do not. She stressed that the ROKG position on cluster munitions had not changed since previous U.S.-ROK consultations on the matter in April 2007 (reported reftel B). Park said that the ROKG plans to continue cooperating closely with the USG, particularly in the Convention on Chemical Weapons (CCW) framework. Park noted that the ROKG supported the consensus at the November CCW and that MOFAT and the Ministry of National Defense (MND) planned to participate fully in the CCW technical experts meeting on cluster munitions in early 2008.  
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